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              MUTAGENESIS

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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT IN**  
**ACCORDANCE WITH 37 C.F.R. §§1.97-1.98**

Dear Sir:

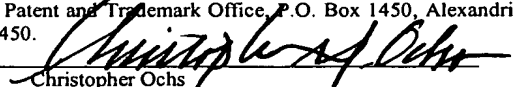
Because this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is filed after the receipt of a First Office Action on the Merits for the above-captioned application, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 02-1818.

In accordance with the duty of disclosure imposed by 37 C.F.R. §1.56 to inform the Patent Office of all information known by Applicant or Applicant's representative that may be material to the examination of the subject application, Applicant's representative hereby provides this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement that is prepared in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§1.97-1.98. Form PTO-1449 (1 page) and copies of the cited non U.S. patent documents are provided herewith in connection with the above-captioned application.

The documents listed on the Form PTO-1449 are in the English language. Hence, in accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.98, as amended effective March 16, 1992, no further explanation of the listed items is necessary.

A copy of a Communication from the European Patent Office (Document I), issued April 14, 2008, in connection with corresponding European Patent Application No. 02798018.4 regarding the intention to grant an European patent is provided. A copy of an Office Action,

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(Document II), issued September 16, 2008, in connection with co-owned U.S. Application Ser. No. 10/658,355 is provided. A Copy of an Office Action, (Document III), issued December 24, 2008, in connection with co-owned U.S. Application Ser. No. 11/707,014 is provided. The table below lists Documents I-III and includes a column that provides a space next to the documents to be considered, for the Examiner's initials.

Examiner Initial	Document No.	Document
	I	Copy of Communication from European Patent Office, issued April 14, 2008, in connection with corresponding European Patent Application No. 02798018.4
	II	Copy of Office Action, issued September 16, 2008, in connection with U.S. Application Ser. No. 10/658,355
	III	Copy of Office Action, issued December 24, 2008, in connection with U.S. Application Ser. No. 11/707,014

In the Office Actions, dated May 13, 2008 and October 16, 2008, the Examiner indicated that the Information Disclosure Statements (IDSs) submitted on February 7, 2008 and July 10, 2008, were considered and initialed by the Examiner. The IDS filed on February 7, 2008 contained a Table listing Office Actions and European Examination Reports cited in related and corresponding U.S. and foreign Patent Applications. The IDS filed on July 10, 2008 contained a Table listing an International Search Report cited in a related foreign Patent Application. These tables were not initialed by the Examiner. These IDSs included the application number of the application in which the IDS was being submitted, a column that provides a blank space next to each citation for the Examiner's initials, a heading on the listing that clearly indicates the list is an Information Disclosure Statement, and copies of listed documents. Therefore, the February 7, 2008 and July 10, 2008 IDSs are in compliance with 37 CFR §§ 1.97, 1.98 and MPEP § 609 and Applicant respectfully requests that Examiner consider and initial all information listed in the tables submitted in the IDSs filed February 7, 2008 and July 10, 2008.

Further to the list provided in the communication filed on July 10, 2008, applicant also makes known to the examiner the following pending U.S. and International Applications that have one or more common inventors and/or are common ownership:

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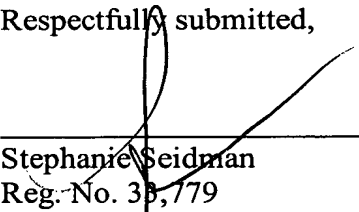
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Although these documents and applications are made known to the Patent and Trademark Office in compliance with Applicant's duty of disclosure, such disclosure is not to be construed as an admission by Applicant or Applicant's representative that any of the information, singly or in any combination thereof, is effective as prior art against the subject application. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97 (g and h), the filing of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to mean that a search has been made or that no other material information as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56 (b) exists.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner review the foregoing documents and make them of record in the file history of the above-captioned application.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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